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TOWN AND COUNTRY IN BRIEF.

Local Events of The Past Week Recorded For Busy Blade Readers.

Kraft's store is the place to buy your shelf hardware.

Kaffir corn for chicken feed 60 cents per bushel at P. F. Felt's.

Go to Kraft's for your work shirts, overalls, socks and gloves. New goods and big values.

The best place to buy groceries is at Wm. Kraft's. His big new stock is clean, fresh and good.

Barred Plymouth Rock eggs, 50 cents per setting, for sale by W. H. Glover, Laclede. 3-21-8w

I wish to sell the lot 90x240 feet on the south side of my property in North Laclede. Miss Sarah Moss.

J. E. Kent, the coal dealer, has coal on hand now all the time and is prepared to fill orders on short notice. Phone 128.

Some timothy and clover hay for sale at \$6.00 a ton in the field by S. Bassett at his farm three miles northeast of Laclede.

Some nice bright millet for sale at the Myerly farm northeast of Laclede at \$3.00 per ton or delivered \$4.50 per ton. Leave order at this office or of Geo. Farrar.

A large crowd attended the washing machine demonstration at The Model last Saturday. Mrs. E. G. Cole, of Forker, held the lucky number and got one of the machines free.

A township Sunday school convention will be held at the M. E. church in Forker on Sunday, March 29. The program for the day will be found on another page of THE BLADE today.

All persons who are indebted to Chas. B. Welsh will please call at once and settle. Bring the cash or come prepared to make bankable note. We must have the money now. C. E. Hilton, assignee.

It doesn't matter whether the "meat platform" or the "old liners" are victorious in the city election—I will sell your property, loan your money or write your insurance at the old stand. May Jones.

The Ball medicine show at the opera house this week has been drawing large crowds and giving satisfaction. The engagement closes Saturday night, at which time the result of the popular lady contest will be given out.

The three large maple trees in front of Mrs. Benson's residence were cut down and converted into stovewood this week. These were perhaps the oldest trees in town having been set out by H. C. Lomax forty-eight years ago this spring.

The pupils of the Laclede high school will give a two-act comedy drama entitled "Mr. Bob" at the opera house next Friday evening, March 27. There are seven in the cast, made up of the best talent in the school, and with the careful preparation they have made will give an entertainment that will be enjoyed by all who attend.

Seed Corn for Sale

Boone County White. This is the best white corn on the market and pure seed. Shelled or in the ear, \$1.00 per bushel. In new sacks, 25 cents extra.

E. K. WELSH,
Route 1, Laclede, Mo.
Phone 103.

Forker Items

E. K. Welsh is on the sick list. I. H. Clough was a Laclede visitor Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Young spent Sunday with O. I. Fay and family.

Mrs. E. K. Welsh who has been ill for some time is slowly improving.

Miss Clara Graham is visiting at the home of her sister, Mrs. Ira Frakes.

Mr. Hereford, from near Sumner, moved his family to Forker Monday.

Presiding Elder Burris preached Saturday evening and Sunday morning.

J. A. Boomer and Wayne House, of Sumner, were Forker visitors Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Humphres and Mr. and Mrs. Snell, of near Rothville, attended church at Forker Sunday.

Miss Emma Tooker and Miss Erma Waggoner, of Meadville, spent Saturday and Sunday at the home of E. W. Pease and family.

A Popular Couple Married

At the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. W. A. Brown, in Laclede last Thursday evening, March 19, 1908, Rev. E. M. Dugger united in marriage Miss Bessie L. Brown and Harry B. Newland. The wedding was a quiet home affair, only the immediate relatives and a few near friends of the bride being present. The ceremony was performed at 6:30 and was followed by a fine wedding supper. Mr. Newland is operator at the local Burlington station and is a very worthy young man who has made many friends since coming here two years ago, while the bride is a most estimable young woman with a large circle of friends who wish for her the happiness she deserves. Laclede will be their home. THE BLADE joins their many friends in congratulations and best wishes.

A Shocking Accident

Monday forenoon of last week Luther Farris accidentally shot and killed his little sister, Mabel Marie, at their home five miles northeast of Brookfield. Luther, who is fifteen years old, stayed at home Monday to assist his mother, who was sick. After helping as much as he could with the housework, the boy, who is the oldest of the family of six children, undertook to amuse Mabel, two years of age, his only sister and the pet of the whole family.

Taking down the shotgun, which was usually empty, Luther pulled back the hammer and told Mabel to come and pull the trigger. As the little one was afraid to do that, her brother playfully told her that he would shoot her, and, pulling the action to the threat, he pointed the muzzle at Mabel's face, when, to his horror, the gun went off. The shot took effect in the side of the head and death was practically instantaneous.

The funeral, conducted by Rev. R. E. L. Prunty, was held at Lenhart chapel Tuesday afternoon and was largely attended by relatives and friends, who deeply sympathize with the grief-stricken family.—Budget.

The Laclede Royal Neighbors entertained a delegation from the Brookfield camp last Saturday at Woodmen hall. Refreshments were served after an exemplification of the work.

LOCAL DOINGS ABOUT TOWN.

Pungent Paragraphs Picked up by Our Perambulating Pencil Pusher.

Walter Libby sends in his annual remittance this week to continue THE BLADE to him at Cheyenne, Okla. He reports himself and family well, spring work well under way and everything prosperous on his farm, having just completed a new house and erected a wind-mill.

Next Sunday will be quarterly meeting Sunday at the Methodist church. The presiding elder will preach Saturday evening, 7:30 o'clock, after which the quarterly conference will be held. Sunday morning the sermon will be by the elder and Holy Communion will be administered. The pastor will preach in the evening.

The millinery season is on and Mrs. Clay is fully prepared to supply the ladies of Laclede and vicinity with fashions fairest creations. She spent some time in the markets and brought on a line that is the most complete ever seen here. Don't fail to buy now while the assortment shows ever lovely conceit and newest things in trimmings. Mrs. Clay has an experienced helper and is prepared to serve the trade in the most satisfactory way.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lomax have spent the past week in St. Louis buying new spring and summer goods for the Palace dry goods store. Since moving to its new location this store is bigger and better than ever and is a model of neatness and convenience. While in the market the buyers selected an exceptionally fine line embracing the newest and most popular things of the day with a view to supplying every demand of their customers.

In THE BLADE's announcement columns today will be found the name of Thos. J. Welsh for the office of mayor. Col. Welsh has not entered the mayoralty race as the candidate of any clique or faction or any party but asks the support of all the people, his platform being "a square deal for every man, be he saint or sinner." Mr. Welsh is one of the land marks of the town, possesses all the qualifications to give the city a good administration and the duties of the office are not new to him.

Chapter R, P. E. O., on Wednesday of last week met at the home of Mrs. Vallie Benson and elected for the ensuing year the following officers: Mrs. Ida Benson, president; Mrs. Idah Moore, vice president; Mrs. Mamie Sipple, recording secretary; Mrs. Carrie Eccles, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Vallie Benson, treasurer; Mrs. Lena Hilton, guard; Miss Louise Burke, chaplain; Miss Daisie Rankin, journalist. After the installation delicious refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Ida Benson.

Mrs. Louisa Willard, wife of Alfred Willard, died at the family home in East Laclede last Thursday night, aged 53 years, 7 months and 23 days. She had been ill for several weeks and all hopes of recovery had been given up. Deceased had been a resident of Laclede many years and was a highly respected lady. She leaves a husband, one son, Wm. Willard, of Linneus, and one daughter, Mrs. J. W. Haight, of Laclede. Funeral services will be held at the Methodist church next Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, interment to be made in the city cemetery.

Some Evening Reveries.

Rascally and scoundrelly people for the most part come from iniquitous homes, from undisciplined homes. Parents harsh and cruel on the one hand, or on the other hand, loose in their government—wickedly loose in their government—are raising up a generation of vipers. A home where scolding and fretfulness are dominated is blood relation to the gallows and the jail. Petulence is a serpent that crawls up in the family nursery sometimes and crushes everything. Why, there are parents who even make religion disgusting to their children. They scold them for not putting in all their leisure time at church or some church gathering. They have an exasperating way of doing their duty. The house is full of the warwhoop of contention, and from such a place husband and son go out to die. The world grows old, and the stars will cease to illuminate it, and the waters to refresh it, and the mountains to guard it, and its long story of sin and shame and glory and triumph will soon turn to ashes; but influences which started in the early home roll on and roll up through all eternity blooming in the joy, waving in all the triumph, or shrinking back into all the darkness. Father, mother, which way are you leading your children?

Truly, marriage, fashionably considered, is as far from marriage humanly or divinely considered as it is possible for a burlesque to be from an original. It is the union of two persons—body, mind and soul—for life, "for better, for worse, for richer, for poorer." In burlesque, it is an arrangement by which two persons appear to the world as one, sit together at the table, occupy the same rooms, have their names on the same cards, sit in the same pew and opera box, but beneath which they hide a great deal of incongruity, and behind which they lead separate lives. In the original it is a connection which forms the basis of a home; in the burlesque, it is a connection which furnishes the pretext for keeping up an establishment. In the original, it suggests quiet, fireside occupations, domestic tastes, books, talk, reading, cosy rooms, comfortable easy chairs, affectionate confidence between man and woman, plans for entertainment and improvement, household economies, all of the varied enjoyments that can be held between four walls of brick or wood; in the burlesque, it suggests bustle, activity, excitement, engagements to dinner, company, parlors where no one thinks of sitting down for a purpose, drape, gilding, velvet carpets, mirrors, chandeliers and gilt books, absence of confidence, estrangement, divided interests, a late breakfast table with one sitting at it, feminine solitude, and masculine billiards or something else in the evening, coldness, indifference, extravagance, absence of economy; intrigue, perhaps.

The anti-saloon league convention held at Grand Army hall last Tuesday afternoon was not largely attended, there being only about a dozen voters present. H. Eccles was nominated for mayor; D. Carmichael for alderman in the east ward; T. D. Fawcette for alderman in west ward; W. P. Bottiger, marshal; Dr. F. W. Burke and E. E. Toothaker for members of school board.

HUMANITY ON THE MOVE

Brief Mention of Those Who Come and Go During the Week

Get your tin and granite ware at Kraft's. Big new line.

Miss Jennie Bottiger left Wednesday to visit her sister in Oklahoma.

Wm. Kraft has added to his stock a nice new line of men's furnishings.

Mrs. Esther Cowles, of Kansas City, is here visiting her brother, L. B. Jones, and family.

Felt & Lomax bought 4,000 bushels of corn at the M. A. Stearns sale last Tuesday.

Have you seen that big new line of queensware at Kraft's? Fine goods and the price is right.

Miss Hazel Brott, of Brookfield, was the guest of Mrs. A. J. Caywood in Laclede the past week.

Mrs. Geo. Weeden, of New Bedford, Mass., is here visiting her niece, Mrs. Dr. F. W. Burke.

Judge O. F. Libby returned Thursday from spending a week at Galveston, Texas, on business.

Mrs. C. C. Bigger and Mrs. Wm. Woods spent yesterday with Mrs. Duckworth in the country.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Landree and little sons, Lee and Willie, visited relatives in Linneus last Sunday.

Mrs. L. E. Brickell, of Watertown, South Dakota, is here visiting her sister, Mrs. Kate Edwards.

Chapter R, P. E. O., will meet with Mrs. Idah Moore on Wednesday, March 25, for a social afternoon.

A. J. Newport has come from Bogard to make his home with Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Dagger on route three.

Judge Bigger was over from Marceline yesterday doing some surveying for W. S. Goslin and others north of town.

Miss Kathryn Brown, who has been ill and confined to her home since last Christmas, is slowly recovering and was able to be taken out for a short drive Monday.

At the home of E. J. Smith in Laclede on last Monday evening, Justice T. J. Welsh united in marriage John H. Miller and Miss Laura A. Scott, both of Laclede.

A. M. Walker this week purchased a fine black Percheron stallion at Pulaski, Iowa. The horse arrived Wednesday night and is considered one of the best animals ever brought here.

Internal Revenue Collector Allen, of St. Louis, C. E. Hilton and several other members of the Laclede fishing club, spent the first of the week at Rocky Ford, the club's resort on Grand river.

W. P. Bottiger having declined to make the race for city marshal on the anti-saloon league ticket the vacancy has been filled by placing the name of Joe Dye on the ticket. Mr. Dye has accepted and is now a full-fledged candidate.

H. Eccles, who was nominated for mayor by the anti-saloon convention last Tuesday, has declined and his name will not be on the ticket. While in full sympathy with the movement Mr. Eccles was never a candidate from choice and gives good and sufficient reasons why he should not be forced into the race. Up to the time of going to press the vacancy had not been filled.